

Story: What did you hear from the community?

Several disparities around testing and vaccination towards the Latino Community. Several complaints and conversations have been hosted by our commission, the Austin Latino Coalition, GAVA, Community Resilience Trust, to name a few around health disparities affecting the Latino community.

There continues to be a huge digital divide issue for Latinos to register to get a vaccine.

Problem: What is the problem you identify?

APH needs more staffing support and there needs to be more inclusive practices to better ensure easier access to vaccination.

Current Funding:

APH, Biden Administration funding, CARES Act

\$330 Million to Invest in Community Health Workers.

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/03/25/fact-sheet-biden-administration-announces-historic-10-billion-investment-to-expand-access-to-covid-19-vaccines-and-build-vaccine-confidence-in-hardest-hit-and-highest-risk-communities/>

Deadline 5/3/2022 <https://www.cdcfoundation.org/CBO-VaccineConfidence-RFP?inline>

How does the problem show up in your community? Who is most impacted by the problem?**Considering all of the information you have or have not collected above, how do we solve for this problem?**

Implement more walk up vaccination sites where an appointment is not necessary nor a car is necessary to receive a vaccine. Similar to: Walk-up First dose COVID-19 vaccine- DELCO Center

<https://www.facebook.com/events/218392352961897> & Walk In First dose COVID-19 Vaccine- Mexican Consulate

<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=1147117225763797&set=a.107495663059297>

Implement a community health worker framework and invest a budget into hiring and developing a community health worker framework.

The city needs to allocate budget to invest in community based organizations that can help address vaccination issues - outsource RFP contracts to vendors who have the trust of the community to help increase vaccination rates and help tackle vaccine misinformation.

Increase the access points for walk up vaccinations. Ensure it is easy for people to access through CapMetro and transportation. Equitable access points in the eastern crescent.

Provide more assistance to enrollment - calling the hotline. Ensure Language Access during telephone call and on information that's distributed.

Ensure diversity of vendors and staff providing vaccination assistance.